

## EMERGENCY RESCUE TECHNICIAN (ERT)

<b>Certifying Authority</b>	<b>Steve Mercer</b> <b>Bureau of Emergency Medical Services</b> <b>Iowa Department of Public Health</b> <b>Lucas State Office Bldg</b> <b>321 E 12th St</b> <b>Des Moines IA 50319-0075</b> <b>Phone: (515) 725-0322</b> <b>Fax: (515) 725-0318</b> <b>E-mail: smercer@idph.state.ia.us</b>
<b>Legal Authority</b>	Code of Iowa 147A
<b>Job Description</b>	The emergency rescue technician (ERT) course is designed to train first responders, EMT-Bs, EMT-Is, and paramedics in various rescue techniques. The topics covered in the course include: rescue from heights and depths, extrication from automobiles, agricultural rescue, rescue from water, and other special hazards.
<b>Education &amp; Experience Required</b>	An applicant must be certified as a first responder, EMT-I, paramedic, or EMT- B (or its former equivalent EMT-A or EMT-D, no longer offered in Iowa); complete a minimum 40 classroom hours, complete ambulance/rescue field experience hours as may be required by the training program. There are no mandatory renewal requirements and there are no fees for initial certification or renewal of certification.
<b>Continuing Education</b>	There are no continuing education requirements for certificate renewal.
<b>Examination</b>	None
<b>Fees</b>	Application: None Duration: Certification does not expire Renewal: None
<b>SOC Code, Title, &amp; Avg. Hourly Wage</b>	29-2041 – Emergency Medical Technicians and Paramedics (\$10.88)
<b>Number of Licenses Issued</b>	Total number of certificates active as of December 31, 2003: 769 2002: 776 2001: 779